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Applicant : Wilfried Krug et al.  
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Coupling Device  
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UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.97(C)(1)

Hon. Commissioner for Patents

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98 copies of the following patents and/or publications are submitted herewith:

United States Patent No. 5,818,821 (Schurig), dated October 6, 1998;

United States Patent No. 6,507,573 B1 (Brandt et al.), dated January 14, 2003, and corresponding German Patent DE 197 14 386 C1, dated October 8, 1998;

Jeffrey C. Smith: "The SARAM<sup>TM</sup> (Sequential Access and Random Access Memory), A New Kind of Dual-Port Memory for Communications Now and Beyond", *WESCON '93, San Francisco, California, September 28-30, 1993, conference record, pp. 571-579*;

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Manfred Broy et al. (ed.): "Informatik und Kommunikationstechnik", *Springer Verlag, Berlin*, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., 1999, pp. 119-120.

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Respectfully submitted,

  

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